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Department notes [] statement Japan considering change

policy sugar purchases Cuba if economic blockade Cuba instituted.

Department under impression ~~now~~ GOJ has for some months been seeking alternative sources sugar supply in order cease sugar purchases Cuba.

Department would appreciate Embassy views current GOJ policy this matter as well as any information Embassy has re Japan talks with other major purchasers Cuban sugar mentioned ref tel.

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